

10 December 2019

**First meeting of focal points dealing with migration issues at national level  
28 and 29 (am) November 2019**

**Annotated Agenda**

**Thursday 28 November**

- 8:30 - 9:00** Registration of participants
- 9:00 - 9:15** Opening of the network meeting by Mr Miroslav Papa – Director of Private Office of the Secretary General, SRSG ad interim
- 9:15 - 9:45** Presentation of activities of the SRSG's Office – Ms Elvana Thaçi, Ms Janeta Hanganu
- 9:45 - 11:15** ***Tour de table: presentations; structure of the meeting***

Focal points will be invited to introduce themselves and express their points of view about what kind of support they would consider as useful from the Council of Europe and what would be their expectations regarding the Network of Focal Points.

**11:15 - 11:45** **Coffee break**

**11:45 - 13:00** **Access to asylum**

Ms Satu Heikkila – Registry lawyer, presentation of the recent case law of the European Court of Human Rights

Ms Livia Stoica – Administrator in the Children's Rights Division, presentation on the Council of Europe work on age assessment and guardianship

Ms Ioulietta Bisiouli – Legal Officer in the Execution of Judgments Department, presentation of relevant activities

Ms Eva Pastrana – Head of Unit in the HELP Programme, presentation of online courses on access to asylum and ECHR and on Refugee and Migrant Children as well as other relevant co-operation activities

*Q&A, discussion*

*Relevant documents*

[Guide on the case-law of the European Convention on Human Rights - Immigration](#)

[How to convey child-friendly information to children in migration – a handbook for frontline professionals](#)

[Child-friendly information for children in migration](#)

**13:00 - 14:30**            **Lunch break**

**14:30 - 15:45**            **Reception conditions; the protection of vulnerable persons**

Mr Valentin Nicolescu – Registry lawyer, Deputy Head of the Rule 39 Unit, presentation of the recent case law of the European Court of Human Rights

Mr Mats Lindberg – Administrator in the Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (GRETA), presentation of relevant activities under the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Ms Johanna Nelles – Secretariat of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence, presentation of relevant standards and activities on protecting migrant and refugee women under the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence

Ms Gioia Scappucci – Executive Secretary to the Lanzarote Committee, presentation of the Council of Europe standards on protecting migrant and refugee children from sexual abuse and sexual exploitation under the Council of Europe Convention on Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse

Mr Tomáš Boček – Vice-Governor of the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB) for Target Group Countries, presentation on relevant activities of the CEB

*Q&A, discussion*

*Relevant documents*

[How to convey child-friendly information to children in migration – a handbook for frontline professionals](#)

[Child-friendly information for children in migration](#)

**15:45 - 16:15**            **Coffee break**

**16:15 - 17:30**            **Immigration detention and alternatives to immigration detention**

Ms Pamela Mc Cormick – Registry lawyer, presentation on the recent case law of the European Court of Human Rights

Ms Francesca Gordon – Administrator in the Secretariat of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT), presentation of CPT standards

Ms Lilja Gretarsdottir – Deputy Head of Division, Cooperation with International Institutions and Civil Society, presentation of Practical Guidance on Alternatives to Immigration Detention

*Q&A, discussion*

Relevant documents

[Guide on the case-law of the European Convention on Human Rights - Immigration Immigration Detention – CPT Factsheet](#)  
[Practical Guidance on Alternatives to Immigration Detention](#)

**17:30 - 18:30**            *Vin d'honneur* at the invitation of the Director of Private Office of the Secretary General

**Friday 29 November**

**9:00 - 10:15**            **Returns**

Ms Sophie Piquet – Deputy to the Registrar of the Filtering Section, Head of the Rule 39 Unit – presentation by the European Court on Human Rights on the relevant ECHR case law

Ms Francesca Gordon – Administrator in the CPT Secretariat, presentation of standards by the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)

Ms Ioulietta Bisiouli – Legal Officer in the Execution of Judgments Department, presentation of relevant activities

*Q&A, discussion*

Relevant documents

[Guide on the case-law of the European Convention on Human Rights - Immigration](#)  
[Twenty Guidelines of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on Forced Return](#)

**10:15 - 11:30**            **Integration**

Ms Lucja Miara – Administrator in the European Social Charter Department, presentation of relevant standards under the European Social Charter

Ms Camilla Tessenyi – Administrator in the Secretariat of the European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) presentation of relevant ECRI standards

Mr Sjur Bergan – Head of Education Department, presentation of the European Qualifications Passport, programme on the linguistic integration of migrants and the School of Political Studies

Ms Irena Guidikova – Head of Division Inclusion and Anti-discrimination programmes, presentation of integration-related activities carried out by the Intercultural Cities Network

Mr Florian Cescon – Head of Youth Policy Division, presentation of standards and activities on the integration of young migrants and refugees

*Q&A, discussion*

### Relevant documents

[Recommendation CM/Rec\(2019\)4](#) of the Committee of Ministers to member States on supporting young refugees in transition to adulthood

[“Youth.Together”](#) project on the social inclusion of young refugees

Council of Europe Education projects: [European Qualifications Passport for Refugees](#) and

[Linguistic Integration of Adult Migrants \(LIAM\)](#)

[Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region - “Lisbon Recognition Convention”](#)

**11:30 - 12:30**

**Tour de table: exchange of views on follow-up**

**Closing remarks**